

Plato

This dialogue brings Socrates face to face with the famous teacher of rhetoric Gorgias and his ardent followers. It is one of the many dialogues where Plato attacks the sophists, or paid teachers who roamed the Greek World at this time. It is a work likely completed around the time of "Republic"; it shares many ideas also found in "Republic" and illuminates many of the spiritual ideas of Plato. The spirituality, as Jowett points out in his wonderful introduction, has many ideas akin to Christianity, but is more generous as it reserves damnation only for the tyrants of the world, those completely evil souls who cannot be reclaimed by suffering in the next life. Some of the truths of Socrates, as presented by Plato, shine forth in this wonderful work on rhetoric and other forms of persuasion or cookery. (Summary by Kevin Johnson)

Read by Kevin Johnson. Total running time: 7:06:36

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